

Divorce Day In The Circuit Court



The above sketches of principals and witnesses were made in the Circuit Court Monday when Judge David H. Harris considered the marital troubles of those persons, mostly women, whose suits for divorce came up at this term.

STATE ASSOCIATIONS
IN ANNUAL SESSIONS

Draft Horse Breeders and
Sheep Grazers Among
Those Here.

HOME MAKERS, TOO

Reports Show Increasing In-
terest in Women's Club
Work in Columbia.

The Missouri Draft Horse Breeders' Association held its sixth annual meeting yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Agricultural Building. J. F. Roelofson, president, gave the opening address and discussed the betterment of draft horses in Missouri.

Other addresses of the meeting were: "Building a Stud of Draft Horses on a Missouri Farm," by W. M. Roberts of Maysville, Mo.; "Possibilities of Colt Shows," by Col. R. L. Harriman of Buncheon, Mo.; "Draft Sires for Building Up the Horses of a Community," by Dr. C. M. McWilliams of Jackson, Mo.; "High-Priced Pure-Bred Mares," by William Hartman of Baring, Mo.; and "The Kansas Stallion Law," by Dr. C. W. McCampbell of Manhattan, Kan.

Yesterday morning Prof. E. A. Trowbridge talked to the draft horse breeders about brood mares for work animals on the farm, and Dr. L. S. Backus discussed the treatment of wounds in horses. A demonstration in judging draft horses for conformation and soundness was later held at the State Farm.

There are about fifty members of the Missouri Draft Horse Breeders' Association. Most of them are attending these meetings.

The officers for last year were re-elected. This is the third term that all of them have served. The president is J. F. Roelofson of Maryville; vice-president, Wilbur McIlroy of Louisiana, Mo., and secretary-treasurer, Prof. E. A. Trowbridge of Columbia.

Education along constructive lines in regard to the production and marketing of wool and protective legal measures to be worked for were the chief topics for discussion at the meeting of the Missouri Sheep Herders and Grazers' Association yesterday afternoon.

Several letters were read by Prof. Howard Hackedorf, secretary of the association, all of which placed a great deal of emphasis on the need for a greater interest in sheep raising.

George Dahlenberg of St. Joseph showed the need among Missouri farmers for a more extensive knowledge of the conditions governing the marketing and preparing of wool for the market. He showed by statistics that the farmers of Ohio were getting a much better price for their wool on account of the care taken in preparing the wool for the market. He also

cited statistics to show that the world market demanded a greater production from America, which ranks only tenth in the production of wool.

L. W. Atkins, vice-president of the association, announced that the much-discussed "dog law" and other proposed legislation would be discussed at the next meeting, which is to be held in Room 214 of the Agricultural Building at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon.

The first meeting for this year of the Missouri Home Makers' Conference was held yesterday afternoon in the auditorium of Schweitzer Hall. Miss Pearl Mitchell, the recording secretary, read a report of last year's conference.

There was a brief report by Miss Bab Bell, the corresponding secretary, as to the work that the Home Makers' Conference had done during the last year. There have been 75 clubs organized. Fifteen women must petition for a club, and then the state sends the secretary to organize the club, so that the cost to the community is practically nothing. The dues are 50 cents a year.

Miss Louise Stanley, first vice-president, spoke of the work done by the home economics department, and invited the visitors to attend the classes.

Mrs. Harry Sneed of Pettis County replied to the address of welcome. Mrs. Sneed said: "The moss is rolling from the farm woman's back; she now occupies a high position intellectually, socially and financially. Let us all hope and work for the founding of many new clubs in the year 1915."

Miss Alice Kinney, the president, spoke of the work of the organization in reaching isolated women. This organization will have a department in the Missouri Farmer next year.

There were reports from the poultry and dairying departments, both of them making plans for contests.

FARMERS' WEEK NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Brooks of St. Louis are attending Farmers' Week here and visiting their son, who is taking the short course in agriculture. Mr. Brooks was for twenty-seven years in the newspaper business in Tennessee. He began working in the Lexington Republican office when 18 years old, and, he says, formed the habit which stayed with him for twenty-seven years. He went to Jackson, Tenn., two years later and built up the Jackson Whig from a small half patent-print paper to a good eight-page daily. He sold this paper after twenty-five years on account of failing health.

"Every paper must have a clear-cut and definite constructive policy to be a success," said Mr. Brooks. "It must look to the material development of the section it represents. On the front page of every issue of the Whig was printed 'More Smoke-Stacks and Payrolls' as the motto of the paper."

"The poorest thing in the world" is the wishy-washy newspaper. A good paper must have a definite policy based on morality and the interest of the community in which it circulates. The opinions that cost the newspaper most are the ones that are worth most. A gold-standard fight in 1896 cost the Whig \$3,000. Then years before the agitation of prohibition in Tennessee

we lost a large amount in advertising and circulation from our announcement that we would print no liquor advertising.

"The best newspaper is a leader. It must be ahead of the community it serves, must have ideas in business and moral policies. These are the things that spell success in newspaper work."

Mr. Brooks owns a farm of 800 acres in St. Louis County. He is associated with his son in managing this farm. They are breeding Holstein cattle and Duroc Jersey hogs. One of the largest irrigation plants of the state is on this farm.

Clore Fields, owner of the 240-acre Fields Farm, two miles north of Lee's Summit, Mo., is a Farmers' Week visitor. Mr. Fields owns a herd of the purest-bred double standard polled cattle in the United States. This breed of cattle is comparatively new, being only about sixteen years old.

Mr. Fields is equally well known, especially to motorists from all over the United States, for the chicken and New England pot dinners served at his home. For the last ten years from three to four thousand motorists a year have eaten dinner at his farm. One hundred persons can be served at one time in the large dining room, which is a popular place with Kansas City people for dinner dances and week-end house parties.

Mr. Fields expects to be in Columbia the entire week.

The Douglass family of Shelby County are consistent winners with their corn. Last year J. G. Douglass won the grand championship of the corn show here. This year five of his entries have been winners. The sons of Mr. Douglass have also had success with their corn entries. The two sons have won places in five exhibits. Mr. Douglass is now in Columbia for Farmers' Week.

Among the farmers visiting Columbia this week is A. W. Tally of Pilot Grove, Cooper County, Mo. Mr. Tally has the distinction of producing the largest yield of wheat to the acre in his section last year. He produced 1,100 bushels on 47 acres. He is a general farmer and takes much interest in raising of livestock.

The girls of the Home Economics Club will serve tea all week to the visiting farm women. The library of Schweitzer Hall has been fitted attractively for this purpose. Toys have also been provided for the amusement of the children.

L. H. Brownfield of Marshall, Mo., who took the short course in 1902 and 1903, is here for Farmers' Week. In 1903, in a class of forty, he won the second trophy given by the State Board of Agriculture for stock judging.

The Rev. C. R. Green of Harmony, who will speak tomorrow night, is a champion of the community center. His church at Harmony, near Maryville, is famous throughout the country as a model of the community center advocated by sociologists.

The Rev. Green came to the country church at Harmony six years ago and at once began to introduce reforms. A community center was es-

tablished. Clubs were established for men, women and young people. A modern church was built. Athletic grounds were laid out. An annual home-coming day is held. The church took the lead in the good roads movement in Nodaway County. The church keeps money in the bank for its expenses a year in advance. The membership of Harmony Church is about 250.

"I never knew the proper methods of canning beets until I heard Miss Bab Bell's lecture this morning," said Miss Catherine Lamm of Pettis County. I have always wondered why I couldn't can them as well as the manufacturers do and now I believe I can."

Both Miss Lamm and her friend, Miss Emma Norton, also of Pettis County are enthusiastic over the work of the Home-Makers' Club in their county.

"It brings knowledge of the best methods to the farm women who want it but would not find it easy to secure otherwise," they said.

Hal Steding, of Slater, who when more than fifty years old made his first experiment in farming, is in Columbia for Farmers' Week. Mr. Steding recently bought a 160-acre farm in Saline County and is making it a well-equipped stock farm.

E. W. Cowan, B. S. in Agr., '13 is here for Farmers' Week. He is now assistant manager of the Agricultural Service Bureau maintained by the American Agriculture Chemical Company.

Mr. Cowan paid his way through college by making analyses in the official laboratory. He worked on the Courmarine problem of making sweet clover.

"Any woman can easily learn how to run her own farm and to make a profitable and healthy living out of it—she does not need to hire a superintendent to look after things for her," says Mrs. Mary Larkin who owns a fine farm of 329 acres in Lafayette county, six miles from Corder.

"When my husband died two years ago I contemplated hiring some one to look after my farm and taking

stenographic work. Then I considered why should I not manage my farm myself and so be able to remain in the country which I love. So I set about learning about farming. I am not through yet. Next year I intend to take the short course here."

There are still a few people in Missouri who do not know the history of the Columns, the pride of the University. Two of the visiting farmers were looking over the west campus yesterday, and one pointed to the Columns exclaiming to the other, "Well, is that the way the state is spending our money."

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